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PSC SETS HEARING SCHEDULE IN PROPOSED RULE ON WATER INFRASTRUCTURE SYSTEM REPLACEMENT SURCHARGE

Jefferson City (November 7, 2003)---The Missouri Public Service Commission will conduct a public hearing on **December 11, 2003**, to receive comment on a proposed rule establishing procedures regarding an infrastructure system replacement surcharge for the St. Louis County operations of the Missouri-American Water Company.

Under state legislation enacted in 2003 (HB 208), Missouri-American Water Company can seek to establish an infrastructure system replacement surcharge on Missouri-American Water Company St. Louis County customer bills to reflect costs associated with infrastructure improvements. Under the law, the Commission must act on a request filed by the water company within 120 days of the filing. Surcharges permitted by the new law go into effect outside of a general rate increase case, and are added to currently authorized utility rates.

Missouri-American Water Company currently has a request to establish a surcharge before the Missouri Public Service Commission. The Commission must act on the request by December 31, 2003.

The public hearing will begin at 10:00 am on December 11, 2003, in the Commission's offices located in the Governor Office Building, 200 Madison Street, in Jefferson City. The Governor Office Building is a facility that meets accessibility standards of the Americans with Disabilities Act. If any person needs additional accommodations to participate in this hearing, please call the Public Service Commission's Hotline at 1-800-392-4211 (voice) or Relay Missouri at 711 prior to the hearing.

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